Applicant: Billington et al. Serial No.: 09/543,164
Filed: April 5, 2000

Page

: 5 of 5

rney's Docket No.: 07703-332001 / MEK0197/J.25273 US

REMARKS

The present amendment accompanies a Notice of Appeal and is presented to place the claims in better condition for appeal.

Claims 10, 11, 12 and 14-19 have been cancelled.

Claim 8 has been amended (i) to incorporate the limitations of dependent claim 12 (now cancelled) and (ii) to address the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, par. 2 by clarifying that the first indication is given as a warning prior to a transaction being initiated when the amount of available change in the machine "is less than the value of the highest-value among said at least one further denomination." The latter amendment clarifies that the first indication is given when the amount of change in the machine is inadequate to refund the value of the highest denomination monetary unit that can be accepted for payment, but that is unavailable for change. Entry of the amendment and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 8 as indefinite under 35 U.S.C. 112, par. 2 is respectfully requested to place the claims in better condition for appeal.

In view of the amendment to claim 8 and cancellation of claim 12, claim 13 has been amended to depend from claim 8.

Claims 8, 13, 20, 25 and 27-32 are pending.

Please apply any charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

und Dorodul

Date: $\frac{1/2603}{}$

Samuel Borodach Reg. No. 38,388

Fish & Richardson P.C. 45 Rockefeller Plaza, Suite 2800 New York, New York 10111 Telephone: (212) 765-5070 Facsimile: (212) 258-2291

30169924.doc